Loyola University Chicago

Syllabus: Principles of Biochemistry: CHEM 361/461; BIOL 366 Sec. 004; Discussion 005, 006, 007 Fall 2015
Tuesday, August 25, 2015 – Thursday, December 03, 2015 Lectures / Discussions / Exams
Lecture: T, R: 02:30 PM – 03:45 PM; Discussion: 005 F 12:35 PM – 01:25 PM Cuneo Hall 217; 006 F 01:40 PM – 02:30 PM Cuneo Hall 116; 007 F 02:45 PM – 03:35 PM Cuneo Hall 116
Instructor: Donald May: Contact: dmay4@luc.edu Office: Flanner Hall 403; Hours: W 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM, R 10:30 AM – 11:30AM; Other times by appointment.


Method of instruction: Lecture and discussion. Lectures may be supplemented with classroom discussion, use of molecular models, use of multimedia, and/or use of computer based materials as well as individual and/or group problem solving. Supplemental suggested textbook homework problems, for each chapter may be given but are not to be turned in for grading. Discussions may incorporate explanation of theory, review of homework questions, review of previous exam questions or completion of lecture material, if necessary. Graded exams will be returned as soon as possible, usually in the next discussion. Issues with graded exams must be submitted within 7 days of being returned, otherwise scores will be considered final. Students must submit a signed statement requesting a review of the exam question(s), although the entire exam is now subject to being re-graded.

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### Students are not allowed to leave during exams. If you leave, you must turn in your exam and you will be considered finished with the exam. Students cannot begin an exam and decide not to complete it. Students must turn in all exam pages when finished. Exams cannot be taken from lecture: see Academic Integrity Violations. Students must bring and present their Loyola I.D. for each exam.

### Student Conduct:

Only students officially enrolled in the course may attend. Students must attend the discussion for which they are officially enrolled. At all times students are expected to conduct themselves in a mature and professional manner, which includes but is not limited to: treating everyone in class with courtesy and respect, avoidance of extraneous comments and small group discussions during lecture. Eating, chewing gum/tobacco products and drinking (food items) are not allowed. Students are expected to take care of their personal/professional matters before lectures/discussions/exams. Additionally radios, headphones, cell-phones or similar devices must be in silent mode and are not permitted during lectures/discussions/exams. If a cell phone rings (beeps, buzz, etc.) during discussions or lectures, the student will be asked to leave. Not all contingencies can be listed but inappropriate conduct will be addressed. If a cell phone rings (beeps, buzz, etc.) during any exam, the exam will be collected and the student will not be allowed to continue, since this constitutes using an outside resource. Students are expected to take care of any professional/personal issues before the exams. Students are not allowed to leave the room during exams until their exam is handed in for grading. If you leave, you must turn in your exam and you will be considered finished. Please keep noises and sounds to a minimum. When leaving, be respectful and leave quietly. During exams, only religious caps/ hats/hoods are allowed: nonreligious caps, hats, hoods, visors and so forth, will not be allowed to be worn during exams. All personal materials, besides pencils, calculators and erasers, will be put away. Other exam instructions will be given and thus it is expected that students will be on time and
ready for the start of the exam. The visual or audio recording of the lectures and discussions is not allowed generally but exceptions can be made for extraordinary circumstances.

Academic Integrity: Consult the Undergraduate Studies Handbook for additional information. All students in this course are expected to have read and to abide by the demanding standard of personal honesty, drafted by the College of Arts & Sciences, which can be viewed at:
http://www.luc.edu/cas/pdfs/CAS_Academic_Integrity_Statement_December_07.pdf

(For on-line homework, students creating multiple accounts will be considered in violation of academic integrity). Anything submitted that is incorporated as part of your grade in this course must represent your own work, unless indicated otherwise. All exams are self-contained: closed book and closed note. No external materials/notes/books or personnel are allowed: no unauthorized resources. During exams, violations include but are not limited to: cell phone ringing, opening a book-bag or back-pack during an exam, using unauthorized notes or books, looking at another student’s exam, talking to another student, opening and/or utilizing anything in your book bag without the instructor’s consent, taking a copy of the exam from the room and so forth. Students caught cheating will receive a zero score for the exam and this exam will not be allowed to be dropped. Option 1 above will automatically apply. Further actions will also result. Any student found to be in violation or cheating will, at minimum, be given a zero for the assignment/exam and the incident will be reported to the Chemistry Department Chair and the Office of the CAS Dean. Depending on the seriousness of the incident, additional sanctions may be imposed.

Course Practices Required: Attending all lectures and discussions on time; College-level writing skills on exams; Communication skills for discussion and articulation of questions; Completion of homework and reading assignments. It is recommended that the student read through each chapter before lecture and eventually work through the suggested problems.

Learning Objectives: Course introduces bio-molecule monomers, macromolecules, and processes found in living organisms. Content includes structures of amino acids, nucleotides, lipids, and sugars; corresponding macromolecular structures, i.e., proteins, nucleic acids, membranes, and polysaccharides as related to their biological functions; kinetics and mechanism of enzymatic reactions, the central metabolic pathways, the genetic code and developments in biotechnology. Students who successfully complete this course will be able to do the following, at an acceptable level (including but not limited to): Identify and describe biomolecules including carbohydrates, amino acids/proteins and nucleotide/nucleic acids, lipids/lipid bilayer constituents; Choose appropriate buffer system; calculate the ratios of weak acid to conjugate base; determine the pKa from the associated titration curve; Show the major form of an amino acid/polypeptide including the zwitterion, at different pH values; track the fate of an oxygen molecule from inhalation in the lungs, track the fate of a carbon dioxide molecule produced from the TCA cycle, identify the kinetics of an enzymatic process; identify the substrates, enzymes and products in both catabolic and anabolic metabolism; track the fate of pyruvate and acetyl-CoA through the TCA cycle; track the fate and path of two high-energy electrons through the electron transport complexes/respiratory chain, in conjunction with the Chemiosmotic principle of proton translocation utilized in oxidative phosphorylation to synthesize ATP.

Disability Accommodations: Students requiring accommodations at the University need to contact the Coordinator of Services for Students with Disabilities. Accommodations are provided after receiving documentation from SSWD and allowance of a reasonable time frame for arrangements (minimally, one week in advance). Accommodations cannot be retroactive. Contact: http://www.luc.edu/sswd/

Important Dates:
Monday, September 07: No classes: Holiday (Labor Day)
October 05, 06: No classes: Fall Break
Thursday, October 29: Last day for “W” otherwise “WF”
Monday, November 02: Spring 2016 registration
Wednesday-Friday, November 25, 26, 27: No classes: Holiday (Thanksgiving)
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